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CAL ITEMS.

ETING.—A meeting of the ock district was held on d an effort made to lay over ere not workable, until some xt but the proposition failed law all claims must still be t least one day's work in each e jumpable.

kind of a joke was practiced proprietors of this paper, as Geo. W. Redman, the gen- nder of the Ship of the Des- this office into these moun- evening of its arrival in the blankets, two feather pillows, ter bringing them a thousand ix shooter, a Mexican poncho articles, partly belonging to and part to ourselves, were back of a mule in the upper ring the Captain's temporary s this deponent's kn wledge ved of since. We publish the thief, who ever he may be, nds out that they belong to a hem back, for surely there is ough to steal from a newspa- ugly, and in the meantime we istol may go off and break the

Masonic Funeral.

l of John H. Williams, who on the —th inst., was largely conducted by the Masonic hich he was a member, with ng ceremonies of that time- ation. There were over one ers in the procession, and took ng a last sad tribute to the r deceased brother.

Tracy & Co.'s Express for files he last Express. They were ckfellow & Co. on Saturday es, like the Feds and Confeds, eating each other alternately. de extraordinary good time this

annock can outsell the wild In- anything occurs in the streets of when there is a that description, they of the usual oc- of which there are a day, never fail to create an gather crowds in the streets.

We are set up to time with the our paper on account of vexatious non-arrival of press and materi- under way at last, however, but portion of our type and other the road which we expect here on it arrives we will try to pre- more respectable appearance, while time we are doing pret- sidering the fact that we have and manufactured all the little the office that are always in- the business, and brought out less than a month from the time the Territory. If any body thinks a cheap affair to bring a printing hese mountains, and set it to run- m "try it on" and they will be o the contrary.

CHICKENS AND DOGS.—A wagon cats and chickens found its way "diggins" a month or so since, and xcellent market. Cats brought ickens $5, each. Chickens have to $36 per dozen, but cats main- rates with an upward tendency. ground-squirrels and ground-mice ut as at present, cats will be in

Printers in Boise.

Wherever there is a being in human shape the craft is represented. There is no emergency that an old 'tramping four' can not overcome. He can tolerate the good things of this life even to excess, and out-cheek the very genius of famine and pestilence -gold-mining included. He can turn a hand to anything. In one place may be seen mental merits that have had at one time extensive 'circulation' and influence, now done up in miner's garb, throwing tailings from the end of a sluice; brain-drops that have moistened, enriched and rendered productive many a parched and desert-field of ignorance, are now to be seen in the back part of a one-horse hash-house serving in the station of second class dish-washer. That last touch of brilliancy lets me out, and I will no further digress. The advent of the Boise *News* into this basin, seems to have resurrected all of the typos who have been buried since old Dr. Faust's league with the devil, and turned them loose, without any money, on the southern slope of the Salmon River Mts. These specimens of human clay, done up in old flour-sacks and gum-boots, are alive, however, to the necessity of their Winter's rations of sow-belly and beans, as they've been flocking around the *News* office, for the past week, thick as flies about a meat-market—gallinippers along the Snake—aye, or office-seekers in Idaho! The office has been so crowded at times, that the editor has not had room to stick the point of a pen, except in the key-hole; the pressman had to adjourn to the laundry and complete his impressions with a smoothing-iron; the typos hadn't room to crowd in a 'hair-space,' and the 'devil' says he'd as leave be in 'hell' without claws, or in other language, in Webfoot without spurs. I was amused t'other day by the remark of an old husk of a miner as he passed by: "What much-respected individual's being prepared for burial, in that house, that commands the serious attention of so many equally-interested mourners?" The proprietors are accommodating gentlemen, but it is impossible to employ a printer for every letter of type in the office. I consider my chance anything but flattering, but I shall cling to hopes as long as one is perceptible, with the tenacity of a graybeck to an old shirt-tail. I've been subsisting on the very tailings—slum-gullion—of the mines, and have gone to bed to one gunny-sack and half a saw-pit, for the last three weeks, with only this consolation,—that, if the siege results in my becoming food for worms, the latter will fare no better than I have. This is not 'The last sigh of the Moor,' but an 'o'er true tale' of the fortunes of

T. I. Poe.

DISCOVERIES.—The first intimation that gold existed in eastern Oregon, Washington, nd what is now Idaho Territories, by a white man, is said to have come from Capt. Pierce, from whom Pierce City since took its name. As early as 1852, while on a trading expedition with the Nez Perces, he became satisfied that this was a gold bearing country, but the hostility of the Indians prevented him in various attempts to test the truth of his belief until as late as 1860, while, in the meantime, when the Captain resided in California, a Mr. Robbins, of Portland, purchased ten dollars worth of gold dust from a Spokane Indian, in 1854, which led to prospecting in that country, and in 1855, some Frenchmen and half-breeds from Oregon, struck the Colville mines. During this year the Indian war very nearly put a stop to prospecting until as late as '58, when Capt. Pierce again arrived in the country, and attempted to prospect the Nez Perces country, but found the Indians hostile and suspended operations, until 1860, when a party of some ninety men went into the Oro Fino district, and finding—as they anticipated—good diggings, they wintered there. In 1861 Oro Grande and South Clearwater were discovered, and late in the fall the rich Salmon river placers. During the year 1861 valuable deposits were developed on Powder, John Day's and Burnt Rivers, and in 1862 the greatest and most important mineral district of all was brought to light in the diggings

FIRE.—Too much caution cannot be exercised with regard to fire. Our city is built almost entirely of pine, and that of a very combustible character; and should fire break out in any portion, it would be an utter impossibility to check its progress in the direction the wind at the time might be blowing, until everything before it was laid in ashes. In the earlier days of California, a friend of ours, now a resident of Washington Territory, had accumulated quite a fortune, and placed it all in a store full of goods. There were two reigning belles in the city where he lived; every body acknowledged their superiority over all the rest of the ladies in town. Our friend had retired to his neatly fitted room, in his own building, up stairs, over his store, and was meditating and cogitating over things mercantile and matrimonial, and arguing with himself which of the two ladies he would marry on the following morning, for such was his wealth and standing in society that he knew he had but to ask either, and she would answer "yes," when the cry of fire reached his ears, and before he had time to dress himself, his store was in flames, and in half an hour he was not worth a dollar. The moral of this affecting story is that by some one's carelessness, our friend was ruined, and still wanders about, a poor, lone bachelor when, but for the fire, in all human probability, he would have been a married man and settled down quietly and happily in some sequestered spot, on the Stockton Slough. The greatest danger from fire is from little shanties, for which the owners care but little, and are consequently careless. The man that builds a costly house is apt to fix his stovepipes securely, and look out that it does not take fire from within; but a small and worthless tenement will set fire to the whole city as easily as a large one, and should be looked after with as much care. Some law or rule should be adopted to prevent carelessness with regard to fire, and, especially in the length and manner of putting up stove-pipes

IDAHO DEMOCRAT.—A weekly campaign paper, to be called the "Idaho Democrat," is about to be started in this city by D. C. Ireland. It will be entirely devoted to the furtherance of Democratic principles and the election of a Democrat as Delegate to Congress, at the coming election. The paper will be half the size of the *News* and published six weeks. Mr. Ireland is a good printer, and we wish he could make a pile out of the enterprise. See prospectus in another column.

APOLOGETIC.—If letters up side down and out or place, besides a thousand other typographical bulls are found in this issue, the reader will please remember that the office has been hauled three hundred miles over rocks, mountains, stumps and all manner of bad roads, and that in the hurry to publish in time, we have had but little time to read proof and correct mistakes.

LOCAL.—The mines in the immediate vicinity of our office—we infer from the industry with which they are worked day and night—are paying well. We were invited to witness the "cleaning up" of Walters, Houston and others on Saturday evening, but neglected to attend. We are assured, however, that the result was eminently "satisfactory."

A Card.

TO THE PUBLIC: Since announcing myself a candidate for the Delegateship to Congress, by Circular, under date of August 8th, a County Convention has expressed a preference for Gov. WALLACE,

☞ To avoid danger to the Union multiplicity of Union candidates, I w name, and hope all Union men will gi nock nominee a cordial and hearty sup

GILMOR.

Centreville, Sept. 17th, 1863.

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Prices Current.

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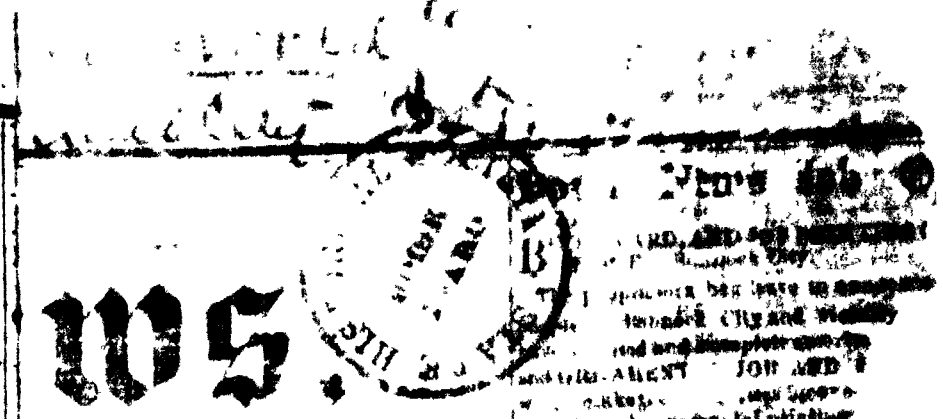
Flour, ₽ sk.	$13@14	Butter, ₽ lb.	30@1 00
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Chickens, ₽ doz	36 00	Apples	
Eggs, ₽ doz.	....2 00	Peaches